

FY 2004 Preliminary Local EQIP Questions

Producer: _____ Farm # _____ Tract # _____ Date _____

Points will be awarded for resource concerns that you are willing to treat to quality criteria.

1. Please indicate the proximity of your livestock to streams, ponds, or wetlands.
 - A. Livestock have access to water body's _____ (60 pts.)
 - B. Livestock do not have access but are within 100 ft. _____ (40 pts.)
 - C. Livestock are greater than 100 ft. _____ (20 pts.)
 - D. N/A or not willing to comply _____
2. Is manure and/or commercial fertilizer applied to current soil test recommendations?
 - A. Yes _____
 - B. No _____ (40 pts.)
3. Does your current livestock operation include a waste storage system with less than 180 days of storage? If yes are you willing to increase storage to that point?
 - A. Yes _____ (40 pts.)
 - B. No _____
4. Are you currently testing livestock manure on an annual basis?
 - A. Yes _____
 - B. No _____ (40 pts.)
5. Indicate the distance from any water body that manure will be spread or injected into land during the year.
 - C. Less than 100 ft _____ (40 pts.)
 - D. More than 100 ft. _____ (20 pts.)
 - E. N/A _____
6. Do livestock have access to woodland, wetland, or wildlife habitat areas?
 - A. Yes _____ (60 pts.)
 - B. No _____
 - C. N/A _____
7. Is gully erosion present and active on the acres being offered?
 - A. Yes _____ (40 pts.)
 - B. No _____

8. According to FSA records, what percentage of the cropland fields is listed as HEL?
- A. Less than 1/3 _____ (10 pts.)
 - B. 1/3 to 2/3 _____ (20 pts.)
 - C. More than 2/3 _____ (40 pts.)
9. Which of the following best describes your current tillage activities on your cropland?
- A. A system that leaves less than 20% to 30% ground cover at the time of planting. Some type of fall tillage is used more than 50% of the time. _____ (20pts.)
 - B. A system that leaves more than 30% surface residue at the time of planting. No type of fall tillage is used but some type of spring tillage is used every year. _____ (10 pts.)
 - C. A system that uses both tillage and no-tillage depending on crops planted. _____ (5 pts.)
 - D. A complete no-till system is used on all crops planted. _____
10. Based on your current land use, indicate which of the following best represents the acres being offered for contract
- A. All cropland _____ (40 pts.)
 - B. At least 30% or more woodland (pastureland) _____ (30 pts.)
 - C. At least 20% woodland (pastureland) _____ (20 pts.)
 - D. At least 10% woodland (pastureland) _____ (10 pts.)
11. Are there any known active or abandoned wells on or within 100 feet of the tract being offered?
- A. Yes _____ (20 pts.)
 - B. No _____
12. Do your management objectives include one of the following? (choose one)
- A. Connecting two or more existing woodland areas. _____ (20 pts.)
 - B. Expanding an existing woodland area. _____ (10 pts.)
 - C. Creating a new woodland area. _____ (5 pts.)
 - D. None of the above. _____
13. Does the tract being offered contain woodland acres that are being managed by a professional forester?
- A. Yes _____ (10 pts.)
 - B. No _____ (20 pts.)
 - C. N/A _____
14. If the land offered for contract is a woodland, has it been harvested in the last 3 years?
- A. Yes _____ (20 pts.)
 - B. No _____ (10 pts.)
 - C. N/A _____

Total score: _____/500 points possible

Definitions:

- Stream : Any permanent or intermittent stream that is designated by a solid or broken Blue line on the USGS topographic quadrangle map.
- Water body: Any permanent or intermittent stream that is designated by a solid or Broken blue line on the USGS topographic quadrangle map, or any pond, lake, or wetland (natural or man made.)
- Gully erosion: The displacement of soil due to concentrated flow of surface water. Gully erosion normally can not be removed through normal farming operations.